

**Families First in Numbers**  
**Updated Information from November 2005**

Current number of Assistance Groups: 70,937

Current number of adults: 54,277

Current number of children: 134,420

Assistance Groups prior to Families First (August 1996): 91,499

Current number of child only cases: 18,046

Closures in October:

total closures: 4,871

closures for 18 month time limits: 194

closures for sanctions: 978

work-related sanctions: 919

other sanctions: 59

closures for employment: 1,053

Time limit closures since Families First started: 12,507

Current number of Assistance Groups with a working adult: 11,671

Average monthly wage of employed participants: \$701.16

Average monthly cash benefit for participating families: \$168.77

Re-entry rate of Families First participants: 32.8% of cases that close re-enter the program (after an absence of more than two months) at some point during the next 55 months.

The number of families served by the program between 1996 and now exceeds 250,000.